

What is a Road Management Plan?

The City of Melbourne's Road Management Plan (RMP) identifies Council's responsibilities, maintenance standards and inspection regimes required to demonstrate it is responsibly managing its road assets and civil liability.

It is a legislative requirement of the Road Management Act 2004 that City of Melbourne have an RMP.

Why update the Road Management Plan?

- City of Melbourne's RMP needs to be reviewed every 4 years in accordance with section 54 of the Road Management Act 2004.
- The current RMP was formally adopted in July 2017 (Version 4).

What are the key changes?

The current updates include:

- The inclusion of maintenance standards for trees and vegetation
- The adjustment of intervention (maintenance) levels to align with industry standards.
- Improvements to reporting processes to improve customer experience
- Removal of information relating to third party assets that are not managed by City of Melbourne (for example, telecommunication or gas companies and water authorities)

Key terms

- *Intervention levels* provide a standard guide for identifying when maintenance is required
- **Defect type** refers to the type of issue that may require repair or maintenance under the RMP



Summary of changes to road maintenance intervention levels

Intervention levels changed to align with industry standards		
Defect Type	2021 Intervention Levels	2017 Intervention Levels
Tree plots and tree plot surrounds where granitic sand or permeable hard surface infill is below footpath level	More than 40mmm	Not in current RMP
Overgrown vegetation and trees on Council Roads and DoT Roads	Maintain roadway height clearance greater than 4.5m Maintain footpath clearance greater than 2.5m	Not in current RMP
Overgrown vegetation and trees	Remove encroachment of vegetation on footpath greater than 250mmm Remove encroachment of vegetation on footpath greater than 250mmm	Not in current RMP
Trees and vegetation – fallen tree limb obstructing all traffic types	Remove obstruction	Not in current RMP
Pavement break out (for example, potholes, dig outs, edge breaks)	Over 50mm depth and diameter greater than 200mm	Over 25mm depth and size 10m ² within a 50m ² area
Pavement Deformation	Over 40mm gap under 1.2m straight edge	Over 25mm gap under 1.2m straight edge
Pavement cracking	Over 3mm width and over 1m ²	Over 3mm width for all repairs
Uneven Surface Grade	Over 50mm gap under 1.2m straight edge	Over 25mm gap under 1.2m straight edge
Uplifted or sunken kerbstone	Over 50mm gap under 1.2m straight edge	Over 30mm gap under 1.2m straight edge and up to 3 kerbstones

